

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please amend the claims as follows:**

1. (Twice Amended) Motor vehicle control device installed in a motor vehicle; comprising at least one original microcomputer and at least one original memory module, wherein the at least one original memory module has at least one specific identifier and the at least one original microcomputer has at least one area in the which said at least one specific identifier of the at least one original memory module is stored, and including means for authenticating the compatibility of a replacement module by a comparison of said stored identifier with an identifier of said replacement module.

2. (Previously Presented) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the microcomputer are in which the at least one specific identifier of at least one of the at least one memory module is stored is writable only once.

3. (Canceled).

4. (Twice Amended) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim [[3]] 1, wherein the authentication ~~unit~~ means is formed by a program which is stored on the microcomputer and the program is used for comparison of the at least one specific identifier of the at least one original memory module to the at least one specific identifier of the at least one memory module.

5. (Twice Amended) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim [[3]] 1, wherein the authentication ~~unit~~ means is formed by a program which is stored on the microcomputer and which is used for encryption of data, the program for encryption of data

or programs accessing at least one of the at least one specific identifier of the at least one original memory module which are stored in the microcomputer.

6. (Previously Presented) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of the at least one memory module is integrated in the microcomputer.

7. (Original) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the motor vehicle control device is an engine control device.

8. (Original) The motor vehicle control device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the motor vehicle control device is a transmission control device.

9-11. (Canceled).